THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Under the Cancer Control Programme, Central assistance is provided for the following:—

(i) To Regional Cancer Research & Treatment Centres located at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Calcutta, Cuttack, Delhi, Gwalior, Guwahati, Madras and Trivendrum for the purchase of sophisticated equipments;

(ii) To Government and non-Government institutions engaged in provision of cancer treatment for the purchase of cobalt therapy units at the rate of Rs. 12.00 lakhs;

(iii) For setting up of Pap Smear Testing units under the Post Partum Programme in the Medical Colleges.

(b) Proposals given for Cancer Control Programme during the 8th Plan are being examined. They will be formulated on the basis of the recommendations of the Second Conference of Central Council of Health & Family Welfare held in February, 1989. The Conference had recommended:

(i) To conduct an evaluation of the Regional Cancer Centres and thereafter assess the requirements of funds;

(ii) To strengthen medical colleges in States which do not have Regional Centres for providing treatment facilities;

(iii) Developing Oncology wing in at least 50 per cent of the medical colleges during the 8th Plan for management of cancer cases and developing outreach programmes for early detection of cancer;

(iv) Training of medical, para-medical personnel and technicians at the Regional Cancer Centres/Medical Colleges;

(v) Integration of Cancer Control with existing health care programmes.

Extension of immunisation programme in the Villages

*209. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to extend the benefits of Immunisation programme to the rural areas through the Primary Health Centres and the mobile health care units;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to make the P.H.Cs as the Centres for immunisation facilities; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir. Immunization Programme is already being implemented in rural areas through primary health centres, health sub-centres and out-reach services.

(b) Immunization services are provided up to village level on days which are publicized in advance.

(c) and (d) Primary Health Centres have been equipped with cold chain equipments like Refrigerators, deep freezers and other equipments like auto claves, syringes, needles etc. in more than 300 districts. Primary Health Centres of remaining districts are being supplied with the required equipments during the current year.

Reimbursement of cost to industries developing equipment for defence

*210. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA:
SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether specific conditions have been recently imposed by the Ministry of Defence to govern the scheme for reimbursing to the industries the cost incurred